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Learning as an aversive employment
Going to school an aversive task of
misery and woe and never think
of anything but how to skip their
lessons & find time for play and idleness
the poor boys report in their school
how the instruction they receive and
the punishment is no great to them
as recreation from the school room

The result is a far greater aptitude to
learn on the part of the poor
than the rich... that was within 80 years ago.

Then in Today's Star - p. 7. Column 2 -
Sir Martin Lany says a few things
which we know to be true about the
appeal made ^{to children} by
Mothers. & that of a child when a
picture you may be sure there is
something good in it

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on the year 1842.

Went with Mr. acanay & Mr. John Russell to
see the schools at Batticaloa.
- Robert Evans & Dr. Kay - Elementary.
Nursery covered the top in
Hrt. & Grog. They behaved in a
way that made here fair to them most
of the four people's children
at Evans's school they learn reading
writing, arithmetic, drawing, history
geography & certain matters connected
with statistics. as Dr. Kay's the
same things with the higher branches
of Mechanics & especially Music
in which they are quite proficient.

There is one striking contrast
between the boys at Evans's school and
the boys to create schoolboy, - (who go through
a certain process, this called Education
which leaves boys at the end of it
nearly as ignorant as at the
beginning with the exception of the
rudiments of Greek & Latin
but while the latter consider

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In a certain no of boys in the
more leisurely classes translation
into verse, whatever be the
language, whether ancient or modern,
will never fail to be one of the most
effective as well as the most
attractive and civilizing exercises
of the mind.

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